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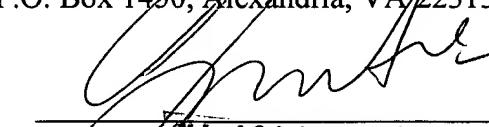
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is: [X] Response To Notice Of Non-Compliant
Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) And Reply To Office Action And Amendment; for filing in
the above-identified application.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

[X] A fee for additional claims is not required.

- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17, in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

This is in response to the Office Communication of September 23, 2004 in the above-identified application. This Response, with revised Reply and Amendment, is being filed within one month of the date of the notice of non-compliant amendment. A response is due by October 23, 2004.

Application No. 09/699,224

Response dated October 21, 2004

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 8 of this paper.